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**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

<i>Application Number</i>	10/015,822
<i>Filing Date</i>	December 10, 2001
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<i>Group Art Unit</i>	1647
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<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	39780-2830 P1C38

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.**

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1.	<b>Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114.</b>
a.	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Previously submitted</p> <p>i. <input type="checkbox"/> Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on <i>(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)</i></p> <p>ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on</p> <p>iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Other</p>
b.	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enclosed</p> <p>i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preliminary Amendment</p> <p>ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)</p> <p>iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)</p> <p>iv. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Reference-Beer, et al. (8 pages)</p>
2.	<b>Miscellaneous</b>
a.	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of      months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)</p>
b.	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
3.	<p><b>Fees</b> The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.</p> <p>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 08-1641 (Docket No. 39780-2830 P1C38)</p> <p>i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)</p> <p>ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)</p> <p>iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Other</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Check in the amount of \$      enclosed</p> <p>c. <input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)</p>

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